(b) if so, by when these proposals are likely to be approved;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the proposals have been sent by the Government of Rajasthan to Government for approval of the works under the economic importance scheme; and

(d) if so, by when these proposals will be approved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Five proposals, which were approved "in-principle" in the year 2008-09, have been received in the Ministry from the Government of Rajasthan. Out of these, two have already been approved. Remaining three will be approved in 2009-10 subject to *inter-se*-priority and availability of funds.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Two proposals have been received from the Government of Rajasthan for "in-principle" approval. Considering the availability of funds, *inter-se* priority of the works, there is no likelihood that these will be approved in the year 2009-10.

Conversion of stretches of NHs into four lanes

3064. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received proposals from various State Governments for conversion of stretches of National Highways into four lanes;

(b) if so, the details thereof, stretch-wise and State-wise; and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (c) The State-wise and stretch-wise details of proposals for conversion of stretches of National Highways (NHs) into four lanes received from various State Governments and sanctioned during the last three years and current year given in the Statement (*See* below). Four laning of NHs is a continuous process and proposals are sanctioned based on Annual Plan provisions, fulfilling the technical requirements, *inter-se*-priority and availability of funds.

Statement

State-wise and stretch-wise details of proposals for conversion of stretches of National Highways into four lanes received from various State Governments and sanctioned during the last three years and the current year i.e.
2006-07 *onwards and up to* 30-11-2009

Sl. No	State	Proposals received			Proposals sanctioned		
		No	Amount (Rs in crore)	Length (in km)	No	Amount (Rs in crore)	Length (in km)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pradesh	6	53.92	59.00	6	53.92	59.00

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2.	Assam	1	47.38	6.30	1	47.38	6.30
3.	Bihar	1	12.06	3.25	1	6.66	3.25
4.	Gujarat	3	17.56	9.43	3	17.56	9.43
5.	Haryana	16	146.11	49.22	10	70.54	26.86
6.	Karnataka	7	95.42	28.90	5	70.95	22.90
7.	Maharashtra	2	55.21	7.00	1	4.21	1.00
8.	Manipur	3	29.61	12.09	3	29.61	12.09
9.	Punjab	13	167.62	49.63	10	85.90	33.15
10.	Rajasthan	3	121.24	53.00	1	6.75	5.00
11.	Uttar Pradesh	2	12.21	5.10	2	10.16	5.10
12.	Uttarakhand	6	79.40	28.07	3	31.66	10.07

Note: Above details do not include four laning projects of National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) under National Highways Development Project (NHDP).

Status of Advance Life Support Ambulance Scheme

†3065. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the 'Advance Life Support Ambulance Scheme' as on date;

(b) whether Government has invited the tenders for the ambulance to be purchased under this scheme;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, by when this scheme would be launched which is pending for the last one and a half year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MAHADEO S. KHANDELA): (a) to (d) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is implementing a Scheme namely "Project for establishment of trauma care facilities along National Highways" during the Eleventh Five Year Plan, at a total outlay of Rs. 732.75 crore to develop a network of Trauma Centers along the Golden Quadrilateral, North-South and East West Corridors of the National Highways to help the accident victims. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways is to provide 140 advanced life support ambulances to the 140 identified hospitals under this Scheme of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. Order for supply of 70 ambulances has already been placed with the selected firm during the year 2008-09 and for the remaining 70 ambulances, the Ministry is in the process of modifying the technical specifications

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.